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PATENT EXAMINING OPERATION

Applicant: Robert B. Hope
Serial No.: 10/033,518
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For: WEATHER SEAL HAVING ELASTOMERIC MATERIAL
ENCAPSULATING BENDABLE CORE
Examiner: Jerry E. Redman Art Unit: 3634
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 09/18/2002

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 18, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

Please rewrite Claims 5, 6, 7, and 8 to read as follows:

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5. (amended) A weather seal comprising a core, longitudinal extension control and reinforcing elements applied along only one side of said core by carrying said core around a wheel which exposes a space thereof, applying said element through said space as said wheel rotates, and attaching said elements to said core in said space after application.

6. (amended) The weather seal according to Claim 5 wherein said core is a wire loop carrier and elements are yarns, selected from the group consisting of polyester strands, fiberglass strands, metal wires and monofilaments.

7. (amended) The weather seal according to Claim 6 wherein said attaching step is carried out by chemical bonding, with adhesive applied where said elements contact the core.